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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

MARILYN BERGER WRITES THAT EGYPT'S CABINET HAS APPROVED A NEW MIDDLE EAST DRAFT AGREEMENT THAT MAKES PUBLIC, FOR THE FIRST TIME, CERTAIN COMMITMENTS TO ISRAEL. EGYPTIAN PRESIDENTIAL SPOKESMAN BASHIR DISCLOSED THAT EGYPT HAS AGREED TO WRITE INTO THE PUBLIC DOCUMENT A CLAUSE RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT OF ISRAELI-BOUND SHIPS TO CARRY NONSTRATEGIC CARGOS THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL. ISRAELI SOURCES SAID THE AGREEMENT WILL ALSO INCLUDE A PLEDGE TO REFRAIN FROM ANY MILITARY BLOCKADE OF EACH OTHER. THERE WILL ALSO BE, AS PREVIOUSLY DISCLOSED, A PLEDGE NOT TO RESORT TO THE USE OR THREAT OF FORCE. (A-1)

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST GALLUP POLL, FORMER CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR REAGAN NOW LEADS VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER FOR SECOND SPOT BY A 44 TO 40 PERCENT PREFERENCE. (A-4)

GEORGE WILSON NOTES THAT SENATE APPROVAL OF PRESIDENT FORD'S PEACE PLAN FOR THE MIDEAST DEPENDS HEAVILY ON CONVINCING LAWMAKERS THAT STATIONING AMERICAN CIVILIANS IN THE SINAI DESERT WOULD NOT DRAW THE U.S. INTO ANOTHER VIETNAM. (A-15)

JACK EGAN COVERS COMMERCE SECRETARY MORTON'S REFUSAL TO LIST THE NAMES OF U.S. COMPANIES APPROACHED TO COMPLY WITH THE ARAB LEAGUE'S BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL, CONTENDING THAT IDENTIFICATION COULD RESULT IN A BACKLASH AGAINST THE FIRMS.

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(A-19)

FOREIGN MINISTER TACK WARNED OF POSSIBLE "ACTIONS" IN RESPONSE TO THE PRESENCE OF AMERICAN TROOPS IN THE CANAL ZONE. HE SAID HE WAS MAKING THE DENUNCIATION "BECAUSE OF THE LATER ACTIONS THAT PANAMA MIGHT INITIATE WITH THE AIM OF OPPOSING THESE ACTS OF UNJUSTIFIABLE PROVOCATION." (A-20)

LOUIS HARRIS REPORTS THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE PREPARED TO GIVE CAUTIOUS APPROVAL TO THE EMERGING TERMS FOR AN INTERIM SETTLEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL. A 42-28 PERCENT PLURALITY FAVORS THE USE OF AMERICAN TECHNICIANS TO MAN ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE DEVICES IN THE SINAI DESERT. (A-21)

JOHN SAAR WRITES THAT SECRETARY SCHLESINGER SAID THAT AN ATTACK BY NORTH KOREA ON SOUTH KOREA IS "MOST UNLIKELY AND THAT EVEN IF AN ATTACK COMES, THE U.S. PROBABLY WOULD NOT HAVE TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS." (A-25)

THE LEAD EDITORIAL SAYS THAT PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH'S DISPLAY OF STUBBORNNESS IS SUFFICIENTLY CRUDE TO NOURISH THE HOPE THAT HE MERELY IS BUYING TIME IN WHICH TO TAKE COUNSEL ABOUT HIS NEXT MOVE. THE MOST TRENCHEANT WARNINGS ARE BEING DELIVERED BY RHODESIA'S ONLY REMAINING FRIEND, SOUTH AFRICA ITSELF. (A-28)

ROD MACLEISH COMMENTS THAT THE NEXT BEST THING TO PEACE IS THE ABSENCE OF THOSE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH WAR DEPENDS. OBVIOUSLY, THE ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN DEAL IS A FAR CRY FROM PEACE. IT IS A PRYING-APART OF TWO OLD ADVERSARIES WITH A LITTLE DISTANCE AND A FEW AMERICAN TECHNICIANS INSTALLED BETWEEN THEM. THE IMPLIED POLITICAL EFFECT, HOWEVER, MAY BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE PRACTICAL RESULTS. IF IT WORKS, THEN YOUR PLAN COULD WEAKEN ONE OF THE CONDITIONS CRUCIAL TO ANOTHER MIDDLE EASTERN WAR -- THE APPEARANCE OF ARAB UNITY. YOUR DEAL IS A MODEST THING. THE NATIONS FOR WHICH IT IS DESIGNED ARE FRAGILE WITHIN THEMSELVES. BUT ITS IMPLIED EFFECTS COULD BE PROFOUND -- IF IT WORKS. (A-28)

EVANS AND NOVAK, IN WRITING ON U.S.-TURKISH RELATIONS, SAY THAT WHEN DEMIREL WAS ASKED WHETHER TURKEY WOULD CONSIDER BUYING WEAPONS FROM MOSCOW, HE SAID THERE MAY BE "OTHER PLACES" BUT IN NO CASE WOULD TURKEY ALLOW THE U.S. EMBARGO TO WEAKEN ITS SECURITY. EVEN AN APPROACH TO SUCH AN UNLIKELY STEP FROM ONE OF AMERICA'S MOST FAITHFUL ALLIES WOULD BE MOMENTOUS. THAT IT IS A VEILED MATTER OF DISCUSSION SHOWS HOW DEEPLY THE ARMS EMBARGO HAS SHAKEN ITS LEADERS AND WHAT A DANGEROUS BREW THE U.S. CONGRESS HAS

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COOKED. (A-29)

VICTOR ZORZA SAYS THAT MOSCOW BROADCASTS IN ARABIC WHICH SEEK TO AROUSE OPPOSITION TO THE SADAT REGIME IN EGYPT ARE CLEARLY COORDINATED WITH THE INTERNAL PROPAGANDA OF THE EGYPTIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, WHICH IS PREPARING THE GROUND FOR A COUP D'ETAT. THE MORE LIKELY A SINAI AGREEMENT BEGAN TO APPEAR, THE MORE EVIDENT BECAME THE KREMLIN'S DETERMINATION TO PREVENT A FINAL SETTLEMENT WHICH MIGHT WEAKEN THE SOVIET POSITION IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THE UNDERMINING OF THE SADAT REGIME IS THE KEY TO THE KREMLIN'S STRATEGY. THE KREMLIN HAS SCHEMED AND INTRIGUED FOR 20 YEARS TO GAIN CONTROL OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND IT IS NOT GOING TO SIT BACK WHILE YOU WALK AWAY WITH THE PRIZE. (A-29)

MARILYN BERGER WRITES IN THE STYLE SECTION ABOUT THE COMPETITION YOU ARE NOW GETTING FROM ELIZABETH TAYLOR AND RICHARD BURTON AND ABOUT THE RATS AND COCKROACHES ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE RAS EL-TIN PALACE, WHICH KEEPS THE SECRETARIES SHUFFLING. SHE ALSO RECOUNTS A STORY THAT SAYS SOMETHING ABOUT THE ISRAELI PERCEPTION OF YOU. IN YOUR LATER YEARS YOU ANSWER A WANT AD FOR A KEEPER IN THE TEL AVIV ZOO. "WHY SHOULD WE HIRE YOU FOR THIS JOB?" YOU ARE ASKED. "I CAN MAKE A WOLF AND A LAMB LIVE IN THE SAME CAGE," YOU REPLY. "IT SAVES MONEY AND SPACE AND IT IS QUITE A PHENOMENON." YOU ARE GIVEN THE JOB, AND FOR YEARS AFTERWARD PEOPLE COME TO MARVEL AT THIS SCENE OF A WOLF AND A LAMB IN THE SAME CAGE. FINALLY, YOUR MOTHER COMES TO VISIT AND ASKS THE INEVITABLE QUESTION: "HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT YOU CAN KEEP THE WOLF AND THE LAMB IN THE SAME CAGE? WHY, MOTHER," YOU REPLY, "I GET UP VERY EARLY EVERY MORNING AND CHANGE THE LAMB." (B-3)

ACCORDING TO JACK ANDERSON, INTELLIGENCE REPORTS CLAIM THAT A CUBAN MILITARY DELEGATION HAS BEEN PUMPING PORTUGUESE OFFICERS IN LISBON FOR NATO SECRETS. THE CUBANS WERE PARTICULARLY CURIOUS, ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS, ABOUT U.S. NAVAL MANEUVERS IN THE CARIBBEAN. (B-19)

THE BALTIMORE SUN

MICHAEL PARKS CONTENDS THAT WITH NEGOTIATIONS ON A NEW SINAI ACCORD NEARLY COMPLETE, ISRAEL HAS DRIVEN AN AMAZINGLY HARD BARGAIN NOT ONLY WITH EGYPT, BUT ALSO WITH THE U.S. PARKS ALSO SAYS THE PROSPECTIVE SINAI ACCORD BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL IS BECOMING ENSNARLED IN DETAIL AND PAPERWORK THAT MAY DELAY ITS INITIAL SIGNING UNTIL THE START OF NEXT WEEK. (A-1)

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CHARLES CORDRY WRITES THAT AN AERIAL EVACUATION OF WHITE SETTLERS FROM PORTUGUESE ANGOLA COULD COST ABOUT \$100 MILLION, ACCORDING TO PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MADE IN THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT. (A-2)

GILBERT LEWTHWAITE SAYS THAT THE EEC MEMBERS HAVE AGREED TO AIM AT PUMPING AN AVERAGE TWO PERCENT OF THEIR GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCTS INTO REFLATIONARY PROGRAMS. THIS SHOULD INJECT ABOUT \$18 BILLION INTO THE COMMON MARKET'S FLAGGING ECONOMY, ALTHOUGH CLEARLY THE TARGET FIGURE WILL NOT BE MET AT ONCE. (A-8)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

HENRY GINIGER WRITES THAT NEW DEMANDS FOR THE OUSTER OF PREMIER GONCALVES WERE MADE YESTERDAY FROM WITHIN PORTUGAL'S ARMED FORCES, AND THE COMMUNIST-INFLUENCED MILITARY PROPAGANDA UNIT THAT HAS SUPPORTED HIM WAS SEIZED BY TROOPS. (2)

PRESIDENT SADAT AND YOU ARE PICTURED SEATED AT A TABLE ON PAGE THREE.

BERNARD GHERTZMAN REPORTS THAT INTENSE NEGOTIATIONS IN THE LAST FEW DAYS HAVE REDUCED DIFFERENCES TO TWO OR THREE POINTS IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE PROJECTED EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI ACCORD. (3)

PAUL HOFMANN NOTES THAT EFFORTS TO DEFINE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' ATTITUDES TOWARD ISRAEL WERE BEGUN IN LIMA BY A SPECIAL COMMITTEE AT THE CONFERENCE OF THE NONALIGNED BLOC. THE PROCEDURE REFLECTED DIVERGENCES OF MORE THAN 80 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON PROPOSALS TO PRESS FOR ISRAEL'S SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION FROM THE UN. (3)

THE ARAB BOYCOTT OFFICE REMOVED THE NAMES OF 17 FOREIGN COMPANIES FROM ITS BLACKLIST YESTERDAY, INCLUDING A NUMBER OF AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MULTINATIONAL GIANTS. (4)

CHRISTOPHER WREN WRITES THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS BEGUN CITING THE SUCCESS OF THE RECENT EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE TO IMPART NEW MOMENTUM TO ITS LONG-STANDING PROPOSAL FOR A SOVIET-BACKED COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN ASIA. A LENGTHY ANALYSIS IN THE GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER IZVESTIA LAST NIGHT ASSERTED THAT THE ASIAN CONTINENT WOULD PARTICULARLY BENEFIT FROM THE ADOPTION OF THE PRINCIPLES AGREED UPON BY 35 STATES AT HELSINKI. (5)

ALL 16 BLACK MEMBERS OF RHODESIA'S WHITE-DOMINATED PARLIAMENT

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ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT THEY CONSIDER THE AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL "THE TRUE VOICE OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLE" IN THE COUNTRY. (7)

PRESIDENT FORD HAS BEEN MORE RELUCTANT TO TURN OVER FILES FROM THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION THAN FILES FROM THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE SAID YESTERDAY. AT THE SAME TIME, PHILIP BUCHEN INDICATED THAT IT COULD BE MONTHS BEFORE THE WHITE HOUSE REPLIES TO COMMITTEE SUBPOENAS SEEKING FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON'S TAPES AND DOCUMENTS RELATING TO CHILE AND TO THE GATHERING OF DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE. (11)

THE U.S. ASSURED SOUTH KOREA YESTERDAY THAT IT HONORS ITS DEFENSE TREATY WITH SOUTH KOREA AND WOULD HELP DETER ANY NEW ATTACKS FROM THE NORTH AGAINST THE SOUTH. SPEAKING AT A NEWS CONFERENCE IN SEOUL, SECRETARY SCHLESINGER REAFFIRMED THE U.S. INTENTION NEITHER TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF AMERICAN TROOPS STATIONED IN SOUTH KOREA NOR TO WITHDRAW THEM IN THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE. (12)

IN ITS EULOGY TO HIM, THE TIMES ARGUES THAT HISTORY WILL REMEMBER ONE THING ABOVE ALL ABOUT HAILE SELASSIE, CONQUERING LION OF JUDAH, KING OF KINGS, ELECT OF GOD, EMPEROR OF ETHIOPIA FOR FORTY-THREE YEARS AND ACTUAL RULER OF THE QUEEN OF SHEBA'S LAND FOR SIX DECADES. IT WAS THAT POIGNANT MOMENT ON JUNE 28, 1936, WHEN THIS WISE OF A MONARCH STOOD AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ROSTRUM OF A DYING LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN GENEVA AND JABBED AT THE CONSCIENCE OF AN INDIFFERENT, UNCARING WORLD. UNQUESTIONABLY, THIS PLEA WAS THE HIGH POINT OF A REMARKABLE CAREER THEN STILL IN ITS EARLY BEGINNINGS. HAILE SELASSIE'S TRAGEDY WAS THAT HE WAS UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO MEET THE DESPERATE NEED FOR CHANGE IN ETHIOPIA WITH ANYTHING LIKE HIS IMAGINATIVE RESPONSE TO THE DEMAND FOR A NEW ORDER IN THE REST OF AFRICA. (32)

THE TIMES CONTENDS THAT NATIONALIZATION OF VENEZUELA'S MAMMOTH OIL INDUSTRY MAY OR MAY NOT PRODUCE THE BENEFITS FOR THE COUNTRY ENVISIONED BY ITS PROPONENTS, BUT THE TIDE OF NATIONALISM SWEEPING LATIN AMERICA MADE IT INEVITABLE. GIVEN THAT FACT OF HEMISPHERIC POLITICS, THE CARACAS GOVERNMENT WAS PRUDENT IN FASHIONING LEGISLATION THAT PERMITS A CONTINUING ROLE, BY CONTRACT, FOR THE FOREIGN (MOSTLY AMERICAN) OIL COMPANIES OPERATING IN VENEZUELA. THE WILLINGNESS OF AMERICAN FIRMS TO COOPERATE WITH A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT IN THE WORLD'S FIFTH LARGEST OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRY REPRESENTS INDUSTRIAL STATESMANSHIP OF A HIGH ORDER. IT SHOULD HELP REPAIR RELATIONS BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND CARACAS, DAMAGED WHEN CONGRESS PENALIZED VENEZUELA ALONG

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WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE OPEC IN THE FOREIGN TRADE ACT
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